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no occasion for the Hughes Pump com-
pany to expend one cent in procuring a
contract for the purchase of their pump.
I never, directly, nor indirectly, in-
timated to Mr. Hughes that his applica-
tion for life insurance would aid in secur-
ing either the purchase or acceptance of
his pump. The pump, as I am informed
and believe, has always been and is now
satisfactory. There was no opposition
to the acceptance of the pump.

Nothing that Mr. Hughes ever did or
said in any way influenced me, nor did I,
by any or the slightest intimation, di-
rectly or indirectly, make known my de-
sires to be compensated for my influence
in securing the purchase of the pump.
There was not the slightest occasion for
the Hughes Pump company or any one
else to use any influence or money in
securing the acceptance of the pump.
The whole attack is made upon me to
make me the scapegoat of the Republi-
can party.

While it is true that I did receive and
cash this draft, and return the money to
Mr. Hughes after he had been advised
that he could not pass the examination
for life insurance, it is not true, as in-
tended to be inferred, that this was in
any way, directly or indirectly, an im-
proper influence brought
to bear upon me to secure the action either
of myself or the city council either in
the contract for, or the purchase of, the
pump.

I shall bring suit against the various
people concerned in the utterance of this
lie at the earliest possible moment, as
soon as my preparations can be made by
Mr. Johns, who is my attorney.

Yours, Respectfully,
R. W. Ferguson.

I there is anything calculated to
make every Republican put on his armor
for battle, it is the events of this morn-
ing. The assault upon Bob Ferguson
was meant to injure the party in a mat-
ter with which it has no connection.
The fact that the assault upon Ferguson
appeared in the organ of the Municipal
club and the Decatur Review
simultaneously, shows that the lead-
ers of the Municipal club have
formed a conspiracy to defeat the Re-
publican party. This accounts for the
frequent conferences between the
leaders of the Municipal party and the
Democratic party which have been ob-
served so frequently on the streets and
in offices during the past week or two.
Give the outfit the cold steel by rolling
up the biggest Republican majority
ever cast in the city.

An examination of lieutenants in the
Fifth infantry, I. N. G., was held Tues-
day evening at the regimental head-
quarters in the Leland hotel at Spring-
field by a board of examiners composed
of Colonel Frank P. Wells of Decatur
and Major J. C. Cabanis and Captain
W. S. Campbell of Springfield. The
officers examined were Lieutenant Frank
C. McElvain, of Company G, Lincoln;
McDonald, of Company I, Jacksonville;
and O'Brien, of Company C, Spring-
field. Any lieutenant failing to pass
these examinations will have his com-
mission revoked. A similar examina-
tion will be held in Decatur next Tues-
day at the Guards' armory.

Killed Climbing in a Window.
PICK, Ill., April 10.—Edward A. Hirt,
aged 10, was killed last night by a fall-
ing window sash. His father and her
five children were spending the evening
with a family across the street, when at
the close of the evening Edward was
sent home to unlock the doors from the
inside of the house, which he always did
by climbing in the window. His father
and the other children soon followed and
found the dead body of the little boy
suspended from the window by his
head. His neck had been broken by the
fall of the window as he was climb-
ing in.

Praises in Song.
The Presbyterian church choir, as-
sisted by special soloists and a large
supplemental chorus, will render a fine
Easter praise program in the Presbyte-
rian church Sunday evening.

Have You Beds to Rent?
Next Monday two gentlemen will make
a house-to-house canvass of the city in
the interest of the German Baptist na-
tional camp meeting to be held at Oak-
land Park in May and June. The
gentlemen will ask these questions: How
many people can you furnish sleeping
accommodations without discommoding
yourself? How many can you furnish
beds in case you are crowded? There
will be a large number of visitors in De-
catur, and many of them will have to be
accommodated at night in the homes of
our people. They will pay 25 cents a
night for each person, and if it is agree-
able possibly they will take breakfast
where they sleep. Get ready to tell the
committee what you will be able to do.
April 8-11-12

PLANT TIMES—There will be a big
sagebrush planted in the drainage district
this spring. The timber is being rapidly
cleared away and the fellows over there
are getting things in shape to make that
district blossom as the rose.

HENRY WAY, of Gibson, has received
an appointment to a cadetship at West
Point.

KING O-CAR, of Sweden, will under-
take a tour through France this spring

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\$300,000 of them in use
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them could be induced to
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and the most powerful
burning stove on the
market to-day. We will
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floor this week. Don't
buy your gasoline stove
until you have seen them.

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burner for \$3.50.

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H. C. Anthony
DECATUR, ILL.

EXPRESS ROBBERY.

The Cripple Creek and Grassy Mall
and Express Wagon

HELD UP AND ROBBED BY HIGHWAYMEN

Who Secure a Package Containing Six-
teen Thousand Dollars, and Make
Their Escape—Two Hundred
Men in Hot Pursuit.

CRIPPLE CREEK, Col., April 12.—The
mail and express wagon which con-
nects with the Midland Terminal rail-
way at Grassy was boarded yesterday
about two miles from this city by two
men, who overpowered the driver, Robert
Smith, secured an express package
containing \$16,000 and escaped on
horseback.

The hold-up took place about 9:30
o'clock on the highway between Cripple
Creek and Grassy. The mail and ex-
press wagon, drawn by horses driven
by Messenger Smith, was en route
from Grassy to Cripple Creek with the
mail and express matter received at
Grassy on the morning train from Den-
ver and Colorado Springs. Two men
sitting beside the road accosted Smith,
asking for a ride. He drew up his
team and one of the men climbed up
to the seat beside him, while the other
mounted the baggage behind.

As soon as Smith started to drive on
the man behind struck him on the
head several times with a revolver.
The blows staggered, but did not stun
him. The man on the seat with him
also drew a revolver, and, leveling it
at him, commanded him to get down,
walk to the heads of the horses and
hold their bridles.

He complied, and when he was there
the robbers ripped open and robbed the
mail. After securing \$16,000,
which was being shipped to one of the
Cripple Creek banks, and several other
valuable packages, they rode off rap-
idly into the mountains.

Smith, who was very weak and
bleeding profusely, drove into the city
as quickly as possible. When he drove
up in front of the Fargo express office
he fainted and fell from the seat.

Smith has three bad scalp wounds
and is very weak from loss of blood.
He was not able to give a good descrip-
tion of the robbers; but they were
seen alongside the road shortly before
the robbery by Ed Hall, of the Grand
Transfer, who described them as fol-
lows:

One was about 5 feet 8 inches in
height, weighed about 155 pounds, and
wore a dark derby hat and a dark
brown overcoat. He had a dark mous-
tache, clipped.

The other was about 5 feet 6 inches
in height and weighed about 145
pounds. He had a brown mustache
and wore blue overalls and a white
soft hat.

Within twenty minutes from the
time the robbery was committed Deputy
Sheriffs Sterling and Jackson and
200 men started to scour the hills in
search of the robbers, who have so
small a start that it is not believed
that they can escape.

The robbers have been traced to the
Divide road north of town, near Rhyol-
ite mountain. After robbing the ex-
press they crossed over Cow mountain,
and near Glettie they discarded the
horses which they had taken, and took
a light buggy and a horse, which they
had secreted in the timber, and drove
away, after turning the stolen horses
loose and starting them on the road
towards Cripple Creek.

Yesterday was pay day at the mines,
and the stolen \$16,000 money package
was a consignment to the Bimetallic
bank of this city, to be used in paying
miners.

ARRESTED FOR MURDER

On the Strength of an Analysis Showing
Traces of Poison.

MUSKEGON, Mich., April 12.—George
W. King, a druggist, and Mrs. Henry
W. Hughton were arrested yesterday
morning charged with the murder of
Nathan Douglas, an old soldier, who
died in the township of Fruitport in
July, 1892. The warrant was sworn
out by Mrs. Eunice Williams, a sister
of the dead man.

There were rumors of poisoning at
the time of Douglas' death, but noth-
ing was done in the matter until March
20 last, when the body was exhumed
and the brain, stomach and intestines
were sent to Ann Arbor for analysis.
Wednesday word was received from
Ann Arbor that traces of arsenic were
found in all the organs sufficient to
cause death.

Douglas had an insurance of \$2,000,
which was payable to his wife, now
Mrs. Hughton. King assisted her in
caring for Douglas during his illness.
It is stated that she paid King some
money after her husband's death.
Douglas had been drawn up by
King a few weeks before his death.
Both prisoners have been held without
bail.

William Blank

is again ready to do the finest artistic
work in sign painting, frescoing, dec-
orating, etc. Kindly leave your order at
131-135 Central Block, Merchant street

The new Baptist church at Urbana
will cost \$20,000 and will seat 500. About
\$15,000 is already subscribed.

Highest Water Since 1854.

MIDDLETOWN, Conn., April 11.—The
Connecticut river is higher here than
at any previous time since 1854. The
New York, New Haven & Hartford
road's freight track is flooded, and
they have stopped shipping or receiv-
ing freight. The steamboat dock can
only be reached by small boats, and
passengers are obliged to use the sec-
ond story. The water is still rising.
Carriage travel by river roads is
stopped.

Sudden Death of a Once Wealthy Man.

CHARLESTON, N. H., April 12.—Charles
Walcott, at one time one of the wealth-
iest men in this town, and treasurer of
the Connecticut River savings bank,
which suspended a week ago, died sud-
denly Wednesday. It is believed that
the adverse criticism to which he was
subjected and the grief caused by the
failure of his plans broke him down
completely. It is not believed that he
left more than from \$10,000 to \$15,000,
most of which must go to indemnify
his bondsmen.

The Canucka Object.

OTTAWA, Ont., April 12.—The Dom-
inion government has just forwarded to
Great Britain a strong protest against
the proposition of the United States to
prohibit sealing in Belting sea and
extending the Paris regulations as to
the close season and use of firearms
over the entire waters north of the
thirty-fifth parallel of latitude.

Seeking for Crookedness in Troy City Matters.

TROY, N. Y., April 12.—The grand
jury's investigation in this city has
awakened great interest. Judge Grif-
fith charged the jury on Monday to in-
vestigate charges of municipal corrup-
tion. Many prominent citizens ap-
peared before the jury yesterday, and
Mayor Molloy is among the city offi-
cials who have been subpoenaed.

Coal Miners Strike.

PINEVILLE, Ky., April 12.—Seventy-
five miners struck at the coal mines of
the Breckinridge & Pineville syndicate
at this place yesterday morning. The
strike was caused by the system used
by the operators in weighing and dock-
ing. The men are firm, and say they
are out to stay until concessions are
made.

The Plague in Macao.

HONG KONG, April 12.—The outbreak
of the plague in Macao in the Portu-
guese settlement in China is officially
announced.

Adjudged Insane.

CHICAGO, April 12.—Miss Grace Jen-
nings, the actress, whose stage name
is Grace Vaughn, formerly a member
of Thomas Q. Seabrooke's "Isle of
Champlain" company, was adjudged
insane and committed to Elgin. She
recently pawned \$1,000 worth of jew-
elry for \$55, and ordered \$10,000 worth
of fine furniture sent to her house.
She has been in the asylum before.

Prince Francis Joseph of Hattenburg in Honolulu.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 12.—By ad-
vices from Honolulu it is learned that
Prince Francis Joseph of Hattenburg,
who is making a tour of the world, ar-
rived there from New Zealand by the
steamer Alameda. The prince will
reach San Francisco about the 29th
inst., and, after spending a month in
the United States, will sail from New
York for England.

Go to Grass

For paints, oils and varnishes. The
largest stock in the city and prices the
lowest.

Most people can not afford to experi-
ment. They want immediate relief.
That's why they use One Minute Cough
Cure. C. H. Dawson.

In Our Great Grandfather's Time,

big bulky pills were in
general use. Like the
"blunderbuss" of
that decade they
were big and clum-
sy, but ineffec-
tive. In this cen-
tury of enlight-
enment, we have
Dr. Pierce's
Pleasant Pel-
lets, which
cure all liver,
stomach and
bowel derange-
ments in the
most effective
way.

Assist Nature
a little now and then, with a gentle,
cleansing laxative, thereby removing of-
fending matter from the stomach and
bowels, toning up and invigorating the
liver and quickening its tardy action,
and you thereby remove the cause of a
multitude of distressing diseases, such as
headaches, indigestion, or dyspepsia,
biliousness, pimples, blotches, eruptions,
boils, constipation, piles, fistulas and
maladies too numerous to mention.

If people would pay more attention to
properly regulating the action of their
bowels, they would have less fre-
quent occasion to call for their doctor's
services to subdue attacks of dangerous
diseases.

That, of all known agents to accom-
plish this purpose, Dr. Pierce's Pleasant
Pellets are unequalled, is proven by the
fact that once used, they are always in
favor. Their secondary effect is to keep
the bowels open and regular, not to fur-
ther constipate, as is the case with other
pills. Hence, their great popularity,
with sufferers from habitual constipation,
piles and indigestion.

A free sample of the "Pellets," (4 to 7
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new goods, bought for Easter, are mostly in, and
more are arriving daily. We wish to SELL them,
that's why we BOUGHT them, and we are going to

DO IT.

We know we are, because the prices we make on
them will certainly sell them, as they are

REMOVAL PRICES!

All lines are strong, and as an inducement to the
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Kid Gloves for Easter.

We have just received a new importation of the
celebrated JOUVIN KID GLOVES.

4-Button Glace in all the New Spring Shades to
match dress goods.

4-Button Suede in Leading Spring Shades.

4-Button Heavy Kid Street Gloves, New Shades.

8-Button Glace Mousquetaires in New Colors.

8, 12, 16, 20, 24 and 30-Button Suede Mousque-
taire in White Cream, Tints and Black.

Misses' Kid Gloves in New Shades.

Men's New Spring Gloves.

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DRY GOODS & MILLINERY
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Agents Standard Patterns and Jouvin Kid Gloves.

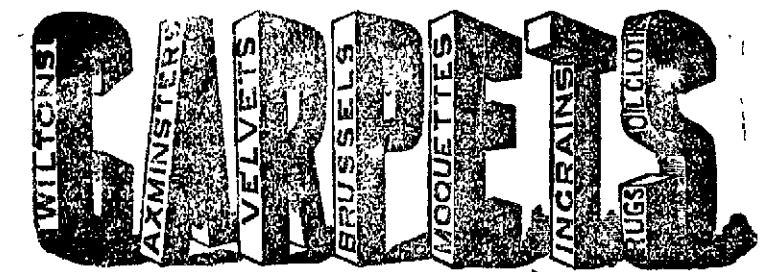
W. R. Abbott & Co.'s Auction Sale On Friday and Saturday

Will be devoted largely to the sale of Watches, in both Ladies' and Gents' Solid Gold and Gold-Filled Cases. There have been some big bargains in watches during this sale, and there will be bigger ones to-day and to-morrow. COME.

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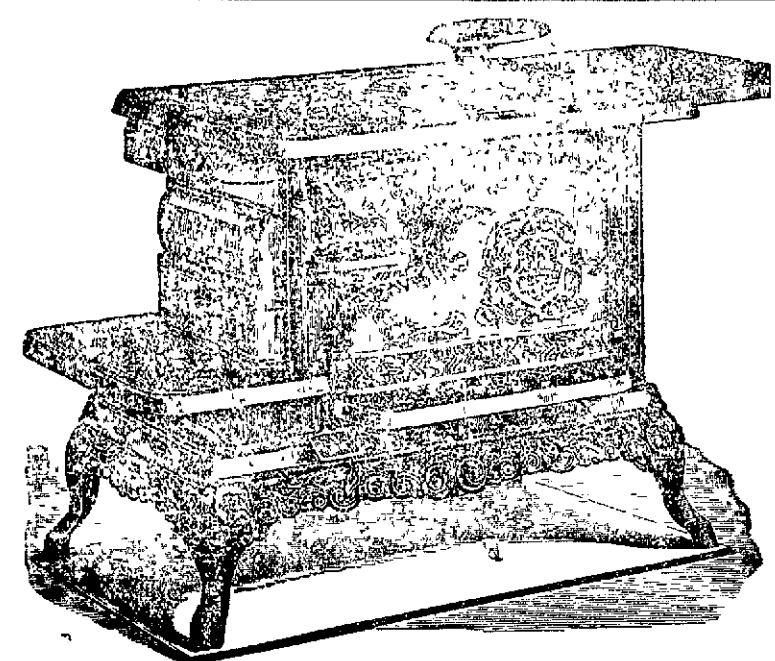


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Medium Ingrain Carpets.....	16c
Window Shades.....	10c
Window Shades, mounted.....	13c
Wall Paper, 100,000 rolls.....	5c
Lace Curtains, 700 pairs.....	45c
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FRIDAY, APRIL 12, 1895.

Republican City Ticket.

ELECTION TUESDAY, APRIL 16.

MAYOR.....D. H. CONKLIN.
CLERK.....J. L. HAYS.
ATTORNEY.....JAMES M. LEE.
TREASURER.....CHAS. L. JONES.
ALDERMEN:
First Ward.....BRECK IRWIN, COL. MATHIAS.
Second Ward.....JAMES L. TILLEY.
Third Ward.....GEORGE S. SIMPSON.
Fourth Ward.....J. W. LOY.
Fifth Ward.....JOHN R. DOUGHERTY.
Sixth Ward.....C. S. HANKINS.
Seventh Ward.....A. W. HENDRICKS.

When giving his consent to the use of his name for mayor on the Republican primary ticket, D. H. Conklin said: "All Decatur needs is economy and good financial management, and in case I am elected mayor I will enforce its laws, and if the laws are found to be bad or inadequate in any particular, better ones should be enacted. * I consent to your request, and in case I am elected I will give my best service in the best sense to all the people."

Ante-Election Pledges.

Here is what W. H. Starr, president of the Municipal Club, said about ante-election pledges in his speech officially notifying William Traver of his nomination by the club for mayor:

WE DEMAND NO PLEDGES, BELIEVING THAT ANTE-ELECTION PLEDGES ARE THE GROUND OF MUCH MUNICIPAL MISGOVERNMENT. WE WOULD HAVE YOU FREE TO EXERCISE IN THIS WIDE FIELD THE SAME GOOD JUDGMENT THAT HAS CHARACTERIZED YOU IN THE SMALLER.

Bad Campaigning.

The most unfortunate thing yet done by the Municipal club, next to putting out a ticket after securing its membership by deceiving men as to their intention to put out a ticket, was the publication of the charge that Bob Ferguson had sold out, while a member of the city council, with the view of injuring the Republican party, when they knew that the party was in no way responsible for anything Bob Ferguson did or did not do in the city council, as he was there as a non partisan.

It was unfortunate for them because it shows an ugly, unfair and scheming method of campaigning, such as the Republican party would be ashamed to resort to. It does not comport in the remotest sense, with the dignity that should characterize people who have so much to say about their consciences, their honesty and their supreme goodness. The campaign on the part of the club, on the rostrum and in the columns of their organ, the *H-D*, has, from the first, been one of calumny and slander. It seems as if, by common consent, those who were conducting the campaign concluded that it was essential to the success of the movement they called reform, to impugn the motives of every man who refused to have his hands tied and dance to their music, and to charge every official with corruption. These facts need no argument in their support. They are patent to the most casual observer, and call for the most crushing defeat at the polls any third party ever had.

The publication yesterday of the matter against Bob Ferguson, and the reflection embodied in the publication upon the committee who signed the affidavit to R. N. Hughes, by publishing that affidavit and omitting to publish the reply, shows they are not disposed to treat anybody fairly, when slander and unfair treatment, in their opinion, will help their moral campaign. They are not only guilty of that, but gave their personal pledges to R. N. Montgomery and others yesterday, that they would this morning publish the omitted letter, and yet broke that pledge by failing to make the publication. They violated their promise because they were afraid it would hurt their campaign, when the fact is, they could not hurt it any worse than they hurt it by the original publication.

Rev. W. C. Miller, who is the creator of the club and sets its broad phylacteries, last Sunday night, in a pulpit campaign speech in the interest of the Municipal ticket, said:

I could give you the names of men on the police force who have been helping in gambling houses. I can give you the names if you want them.

Upon reading this charge, which was a reflection upon the entire force, Marshal Lehman says he interviewed every man on the force with reference to it, and each and all denied ever having served in that capacity in a gambling house. The marshal then took with him, as a witness, another man and waited upon Rev. W. C. Miller. The marshal asked him if he had made such a statement. He admitted he had. The marshal then told

him of the denial of the men and asked for the names of the policemen Mr. Miller referred to. Mr. Miller refused to give the marshal the names stating he could not do so until he further consulted his informant. The marshal called upon Mr. Miller last Wednesday yet notwithstanding the reflection upon the police, he has not yet furnished the names, he said in his speech he could give. This is another evidence of political depravity that seems to be the lot of the Municipal club. If Mr. Miller was not secure in his information he had no business as a man who professes sympathy with his fellow men to make the charge he did.

Such campaigning, under the cloak of reform, is superlative perversity, and should admonish every man who likes fair play to abandon this poll next Tuesday.

CANDIDATE SCANLAN is pledging every thing and anything to anybody to secure votes, while Candidate Traver is a party to a publication in the *Herald-Dispatch* yesterday morning, charging corruption upon an ex alderman, to help his campaign and try to defeat the Republicans, but the man of all, Col. D. H. Conklin, the Republican nominee for mayor, is attending to his own affairs in a manly and dignified way, and is too big a man mentally to stoop to little and unmanly things. The people recognize this difference in the men, and will register their opinion next Tuesday, in the biggest Republican majority ever given in a city election in Decatur.

THE Municipal third party leaders seem to be unable to understand that any one should have the temerity to oppose them. They cannot comprehend why they are not permitted to do all the fighting and grow restive under criticism. When men go into politics they must expect to receive blows as well as deliver them. If their arms are found too short to reach the vitals of the Republican party they ought not to become perturbed over that discovery. That is a matter they should have determined before they went into the fray.

IF Bob Ferguson is guilty, while a member of the city council of selling his vote or influence, as the Municipal club officers allege, and the Municipal club are in favor of clean government, as they profess, why don't they prosecute him and send him to the penitentiary instead of using it to defeat the Republican party, when as a matter of fact Bob was in the council as an independent, and whose candidacy for alderman at the time of his election was completely "divorced from party politics?"

YESTERDAY was a great day for the Republicans. The woods are now full of them and on every hand you can hear the clanking of their armor in their eagerness to enter the fray next Tuesday. Make it a thousand, boys, if you can. This is possible.

THERE may be some question as to whether public slander is worse than "public gambling" in a community, but there can be no question as to the fact that those who are guilty of either are not calculated to subdue the other.

THERE was plenty of evidence yesterday that the people of Decatur never want to pass under the rule of the Municipal club. That is one calamity the city will escape from next Tuesday.

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MR. AND MRS. A. W. STEWART and daughter, of Chatsworth, have returned from a winter in Los Angeles.

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Government Report on Wheat.

The government report made the condition of winter wheat April 1st, 81.4, against 86.7 last year and 77.4 in 1893. In 1892 it was 81.2 in April, but the May harvest was 84, the July 89.6, and at harvest 87.6, the yield per acre being 13.4 bushels. The condition this year suggests a yield per acre of 12.2 bushels and a crop of 295,000,000 bushels, against 328,000,000 bushels last year. The average condition by states was given as follows: New York, 92; Pennsylvania, 92; Kentucky, 86; Ohio, 86; Michigan, 78; Indiana, 83; Illinois, 87; Missouri, 83; Kansas, 53; Nebraska, 45; California, 94.

The report said: "Generally the last winter has been hard on wheat. The fall of 1894 was dry and not favorable in many States either to germination or maintenance of vitality of the plant. The spring has been droughty over extensive areas. Much good, however, has been produced by rains in the latter part of March, particularly in Indiana, Illinois, Missouri and Iowa. Moderate rains fell in Nebraska and South Dakota. It is reported that the soil was so dry and had suffered so long from drought that it will require much heavier rains to produce permanent effect. The average date of seeding for the whole country was Oct. 9. Very little damage from the Hessian fly is reported."

The figures are bullish on the face, but, as there have been good rains throughout the winter wheat country the last ten days, the crop has materially improved, and the trade takes little stock in the low condition as an important bull factor.

The estimates on the condition were from 80 to 85. On the government figures the winter wheat crop was estimated from 283,000,000 to 295,000,000 bu., but as to how much these figures are worth based, as they are, on March conditions, conservative traders were inclined to be skeptical.

The crowd was bearish on the report, not so much on what it contained as owing to the fact that it left the close of the month of March in a condition where the rains since would appear to have improved the crop so materially as to leave previous conditions almost out of the question.

He Couldn't Drive Nails.

Jonas Swartz, Hartsville, Ohio, relates an experience all the more wonderful because he is now nearly seventy. He says: "I wouldn't take \$100 for the good Dr. Wheeler's Nerve Vitalizer. I have used it, I always worked hard and was careless about a little stomach trouble. I had and sleeplessness, which I suppose accounts for the nervous trouble which struck me about four years ago. Limbs of my right side got so I couldn't control them; at times I couldn't hold a cup in my right hand to drink from it, and in a crowd would unconsciously hit people with my jerking right arm. The doctors called it nervous paralysis and said that, at my age, I couldn't be cured. I saw Dr. Wheeler's Nerve Vitalizer advertised in the *Repository* and got a sample bottle of it, which I thought helped me, so bought a bottle. Think I have used three bottles, and they have made a steady man of me. I have not felt as well in the four years and am still improving. Why, for two years I couldn't drive a nail." Mr. Geldinger, in whose store the interview took place, fully corroborated Mr. Swartz' statement, saying, his cure was a surprise to all who knew of the case. We are authorized to say, this medicine for control and cure of all nerve troubles, is sold by C. H. Dawson, Druggist.

MISS EMMA SMITH, of Springfield, was married at Lebanon to George Kennon, who is critically ill.

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FRIDAY, APRIL 12, 1895.

WAR IN MADAGASCAR.

France Has Sent Fifteen Thousand Men to Subdue the Natives.

France having voted 65,000,000 francs and 15,000 men in order that her armies may forthwith occupy Madagascar, has appointed Gen. Duchesne to command the expedition. Madagascar may be said to have been in a thorn in the flesh to France since the year 1842, when she first claimed her right to the possession. The expedition promises to be of a prolonged character, and considering the climatic difficulties which will have to be encountered, it cannot be viewed without considerable anxiety by both France and England, for the latter has great interests in the country. At present things do not



GEN. DUCHESNE,
Commander of the French Army in Madagascar.

look very promising. The latest telegram from Tananarive says: "No military operations are going on here at present, except that the French continue to strengthen their position by throwing up earthworks outside the town, and occasionally bombard the native camps in the vicinity. The natives also try to throw shells into Tananarive, but their guns are out of range, and the shells always fall 500 to 2,000 yards short. At Mananangy all the houses formerly occupied by French traders have been sacked and everything movable carried off. One French man-of-war is always stationed here, and at present two British war vessels are also in the harbor. It is not expected that any more French ships will be sent here at present, as it is now in the middle of the hurricane season."

How About the Brains?

A careful record kept at Yale for eight years shows that nonsmokers are 20 per cent. taller, 25 per cent. heavier, and have 60 per cent. more lung capacity than smokers. A recent graduating class at Amherst presented a similar difference in favor of nonsmokers, who had gained in weight 24 per cent. over the smokers, and in height 17 per cent., and also exceeded them in lung capacity.

Sales of Real Estate.

M. P. Murphy to John Schudel, lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, block 21, Railroad addition to Macon—\$297.

Cynthia A. Masters and J. H. Pickroll to Gertrude Dunkel, lots 8 and 9, block 5, in Harrison—\$75.

Henry McClellan to John Schudel, lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, in block 24, R. R. addition to Macon—\$800.

W. H. Elwood et al to John Schudel, lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, block 24, R. R. addition to Macon—\$100.

Lydia Lukens to W. H. Wherley, lot in Western addition—\$200.

Amos Lane to Gertrude Dunkel, lots 8, 9 and 10, block 5, Harrison—\$700.

Board of Supervisors.

DECATUR, ILL., April 8.

To J. M. Dodd, County Clerk:

SIR:—You will please call a special meeting of the board of supervisors of Macon county to convene April 25, 1895, at 1:30 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of organizing the board and to transact such other business as may properly come before the board.

Wm. H. Bean. C. A. Thrift.
Hiram Johnson. J. A. Davidson.
James Hollinger. O. H. Draper.
E. C. Griffin. J. W. Walker.
E. F. May. J. B. Bullard.

The Tax List.

In the WEEKLY REPUBLICAN of April 11th was printed entire the delinquent tax list for the year 1894. It was prepared by C. H. Patterson, the county treasurer, and is a very interesting story, financially. Parties wishing extra copies can obtain them by applying at the REPUBLICAN office.

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EQUAL SUFFRAGE PROGRESS

State Convention—Reports—Election of Officers—Lectures.

The sessions of the Equal Suffrage Association of Illinois will close this evening, and there will be free lectures to-night at the Congregational church.

THURSDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.
Opened at 2:15 with a largely increased attendance. Mrs. G. Clinton Smith led the singing, and the ladies joined in with a will. The secretary, Mrs. Prof. Rena Michaels Atchison, late of the Woman's College of the Northwestern University, has during the past year mailed hundreds of letters and circulars to members of the legislature. From these gentlemen she has received two replies, one stating that he would favor the movement when woman had sufficiently developed to enter politics. This little rally from the member provoked a ripple of pitying laughter from the audience. She also stated that the greater part of the work in favor of suffrage was now being done through the W. C. T. U. organizations. The little lady proved that she had studied political methods to some purpose by suggesting that the ladies endeavor to secure the names of legislators not favorable to the movement and send them as a "blacklist" broadcast among the various suffragist organizations of the state.

An interesting essay entitled "The Women of Armenia," was read by the Rev. Manavian of Chicago. He traced the history of that unhappy country from remote antiquity to the present time. He compared the condition of Armenian women with the women of Turkey much to the disadvantage of the latter class. He was followed with interest and his effort was favorably received.

Mrs. Mary Metzger, of Moline, gave an interesting account of a visit to Colorado, and described the workings of equal suffrage in that state. The lady paid her compliments to the Illinois legislature. Ex-Mayoress Paxton, of Kiowa, Kansas, who enjoys the distinction of ruling a typical wild west town, when the men had given up the task in despair, was then introduced. She told of her trials and tribulations as an office holder. She refused to accept money from the local saloons, and although the men prophesied dire disaster, brought her town through with a handsome balance in the treasury. The lady's remarks awakened the wildest enthusiasm, and when she concluded was given the Chauqua salute amid great enthusiasm.

Mrs. Eddy, of Kewanee, told how 1,000 women of that town registered and voted. By their votes they smashed a corrupt school ring which had existed for 13 years although the ringster had placed two women on their ticket as a bait. A musical selection by the Misses Edna Bunn and Addie Ebert of this city then favored the audience with a fine piano and vocal selections, after which Mrs. Miller told how the Republican ladies had managed the campaign in the 34th ward of Chicago. Senator Castle described the work of the SUFFRAGIST and Mrs. Henderson, from the committee on State work, followed with an interesting speech regarding the work of organization in this state. After transacting some business of minor importance the convention adjourned.

TWO LECTURES.

There was further diffusion of equal suffrage sentiment last night at the Congregational church when Mrs. Woolley and Mrs. Marion Foster Washburn, both of Chicago, gave addresses in support of the equality of man and woman in all the relatives of life. Mrs. Washburn who is a new recruit in the work said that the politicians are afraid of the suffragists because they do not know how to handle them. Mrs. Woolley made a strong appeal for the recognition of equality of the sexes in the affairs of life. Mrs. Alma Morgan Kinney, who was down for a select reading, was unable to be present because of the illness of her brother.

FRIDAY MORNING, APRIL 12.

The meeting was called to order by the president and opened with a musical selection led by Mrs. Eva Munson Smith, of Springfield, Mrs. Metzger, of Moline, presiding at the piano. The audience then united in prayer, led by Mrs. Kate Hughes, of Table Grove. Reading of the minutes then followed. Mrs. Emma Smith DeVoe reported six suffrage societies in her district, and claimed that the cause is doing as well as could be expected.

Mrs. M. L. Hubbard, of the fourth district, reported satisfactory progress, and predicted a cheering report for the next convention.

The fifth district president, Mrs. Mary Bennett, sent in a written report showing encouraging progress.

Mrs. McCulloch gave an account of the progress of the work in her section.

S. A. Radley, of Sandwich, of the 8th district, reported progress. Mrs. Bigelow, of the 10th district was not present but sent in an encouraging report.

Mrs. Julia Esty Shreiner reported progress in the 11th district. Mrs. Long, of Barry, of the 16th district, reported considerable progress in her district. Mrs. Eva Munson Smith of the 17th district stated that she had done a great deal of correspondence, but had not been able to do much organizing owing to domestic engagements. Miss Carrie Prince, president of the 18th district, told how she had worked up an interest in her

district. The lady has been a untiring worker, has held hundreds of meetings and hopes to organize a number of societies in the near future.

STATE OFFICERS.

The election of officers was then called up and resulted as follows:

President—Mrs. Mary E. Holmes, Chicago.

Secretary—Mrs. Rena Michaels Atchison, Morgan Park.

Treasurer—Mrs. Long, Barry.

Vice Presidents—Mrs. Cecil Parker Woolley, Mrs. Frank Hubbard, Chicago.

Chairman Executive Committee—Hon. M. B. Castle, Sandwich.

Among the visiting suffragists are the following: Mrs. Mary E. Holmes, Chicago; Mrs. Catherine Waugh McCulloch, Mrs. Marian Foster Washburn, secretary of Political Equality Club, Mrs. Mary E. Farhan, secretary of North Side Political Equality League, Chicago; Mrs. Belle Leach, Kinderhook; Mrs. S. Biggens, Danville; Mrs. Anna N. Porter, M. D., of Danville; Mrs. L. M. Mosin, Danville; Mrs. J. W. Moore, M. D., of Danville; Mrs. L. C. Shea, Danville; Mrs. Emma G. Kelsey, Princeton; Mrs. Julia E. Schreiner, Chatsworth; Mrs. Mary E. Metzger, Moline; Mrs. L. S. Hinrichsen, Springfield; Mrs. Emma R. Wing, Chicago; Rev. Celia Parker Woolley, president of Political Equality Club, Chicago; Mrs. L. A. S. Nourse, Moline; Mrs. Jennie H. Wright, Moline; Mrs. Ayers, Springfield; Dr. Rachel Packson, Springfield; Dr. Jennie L. Spurrier, Springfield; Mrs. Eva Warren Smith, Springfield; Mrs. L. F. Long, Barry; Mrs. John Blomgren and Miss Edie Blomgren, Chicago; Rev. Garahed M. Manavian, Waukegan; Hon. M. B. Castle, Sandwich; Mrs. Elizabeth Shippen, Chicago; Miss Celia Heddenberger, secretary of Political Equality Club, Chicago; Mrs. E. V. Eddy, Kewanee; Mrs. Kate Hughes, Table Grove; Mrs. Emma Smith DeVoe, Harvey; Miss Emma Ewald, Chicago.

Bicycle Speed.

Appropos of the regulation of the speed of bicycles, a writer says: "Bicycle riders who think that no one can tell how fast they are riding as they 'scorch' along the streets are very much mistaken. It is the easiest thing in the world to measure their speed accurately enough to swear to it without reading the cyclometer they carry or knowing the distance they ride. All that is necessary is for the observer to note carefully the number of revolutions the pedals make in a given period of time, say five seconds, or a single second, and then if the 'gear' is known the speed is known also. To determine if the rider is going faster than the eight miles an hour allowed by law it is not necessary to know the 'gear' of his bicycle; it is only needful to count the number of revolutions a second. A very little figuring will then show whether the rider is breaking the law or not. Whenever a rider revolves his pedals once in a second it is practically certain that he is riding faster than eight miles an hour. If his bicycle is geared at 60, one revolution a second will carry him 10½ miles an hour, if at 68 his speed is a half-mile faster, at 68 it is 12¼ miles, at 72 it is almost 13 miles, and at 76 it is a little more than 13½. One revolution a second is, therefore, faster than a 56 gear can legally ride. Any rider can easily satisfy himself that these figures are substantially accurate, and, having done so, can no longer plead that he does not know how fast he is riding."

Let Him Go.

When the Wabash train from Springfield arrived in the city last night the air was blue with Chicago profanity, uttered by Representative Billy Burke, the Democratic wire-puller. He was drunk, and on the train had got into a heated controversy with Attorney General Moliney, another Democrat, who was a fellow passenger. Officer Koeppel took Burke in tow and placed him in the Short Street station with the help of Officer Mehan. Burke was relieved of his valuables and to-day when the east-bound train arrived he was turned loose to get aboard and go home. Burke is pretty well known to the Decatur officers as a big bully and all-round guzzler. Mr. Mahoney remained quietly in the coach and did not show himself. It cost Burke \$15 to swear in Decatur.

Meeting To-Night.

The regular meeting of the Volunteer Firemen association will be held this evening at the city council rooms, when an immense amount of business will be transacted. The advertising stickers have arrived and will be distributed to the committee.

Commencement Notes.

The faculty of the Decatur High School held a meeting last night, and awarded the Adrian scholarship honor to Miss Ardie Wood. Miss Sarah Imboden was appointed to be the valedictorian on commencement and class day, June 14.

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Children's Hats and Caps at 19c.

Children's Straw Hats, trimmed, at 25c.

Ladies' Sailor Hats, trimmed, at 25c.

Ladies' Black Leghorn Hats, untrimmed, 33c.

Children's White Leghorn Hats at 29c.

Thirty-five different styles of Ladies' New Spring Hats at 69c.

Boys' Military Caps at 25c.

Boys' and Girls' Bicycle Caps at 25c.

Ladies' and Misses' Bicycle Leggings at 98c, \$1.50 and 2.00 pair.

Ladies' Lace Collars at 49c.

Ladies' Silk Collarettes at 98c.

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HOW A BARNACLE EATS.

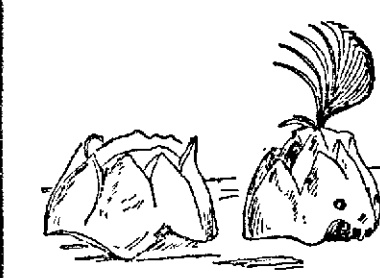
Provided with a Queer Member Which It Uses as a Net.

Peculiar Ways of One of Nature's Most Peculiar Creatures—When It Dies Its Inner Shell Comes Loose from Its Outer Shell.

The first time a man sees a barnacle feed he is pretty likely to think it the most wonderful thing he ever saw, and the oftener he sees it the more wonderful it is apt to appear to him. The ordinary barnacle, as is generally known, grows on ships' bottoms, on piles, and on rocks and stones along the shore. The accompanying illustration gives two pictures of the same barnacle, one of a number of common barnacles now in the city's aquarium at Castle Garden, which were taken from Gravesend bay. There are various kinds of barnacles, and they attain various sizes. The common barnacle here pictured is slightly oval in general outline at the base; its shell is about five-eighths of an inch in length, half an inch in width, and half an inch high; it tapers in from the base up and is jagged around the top, where it is open. Inside the outer shell is another, which is divided in halves vertically, the two parts being held together by muscles. The outer shell is whole and fixed; the inner shell is movable. When the barnacle is quiet the inside shell is drawn together at the top and closed, and usually it is below the top of the outer shell, as here shown in the picture to the left.

The right-hand picture shows the barnacle as it appears when feeding. When preparing to feed, the barnacle raises the divided shell until the top of it is above the jagged top of the outer shell; sometimes it opens the inner shell before it is above the outer one; more often it does not. When the barnacle opens its inner shell it puts out from it its feeder, which, as it comes up into view, is in general contour not unlike a human hand as it would appear with the fingers and thumb joined at the tips. When this hand is open it is seen to have many fingers, which are so delicate as to be almost threadlike in fineness, but which, fine as they are, have upon them tiny feathery lateral processes.

As the barnacle raises its hand it opens out its fingers and throws the hand backward as one would throw his hand back upon his wrist. Then the barnacle sweeps it forward through the water, nearly to a horizontal position in front. It is spread to its greatest di-



TWO PICTURES OF A BARNACLE.

mensions when in a vertical position. It is then in appearance something like a tiny fan, concave on the side to the front. It is reduced in size as it approaches the horizontal, where it is closed and in outline as it appeared at first with the finger tips together, and in that form it is drawn into the shell with whatever food it may have caught in the sweep. The water passes freely between these slender, feathery-lined fingers, which, however, retain the most minute animalcules—the food that the barnacle lives upon.

Quickly the feeder reappears in the first position and the sweeping through the water is repeated, and this is continued until apparently the barnacle's appetite is satisfied, the feeding lasting altogether perhaps one or two minutes. The barnacle might not again seek food for hours; and it is irregular in its hours of feeding. Larger barnacles are slower in motion when feeding, smaller ones quicker. The little barnacle here referred to throws its feeder very quickly. Every sweep, from the start, through the spread, contraction and drawing in of the hand, is made with the truest, smoothness and precision of machinery.

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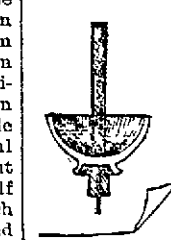
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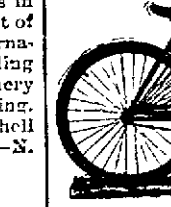
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Regular Ways of One of Nature's Most
Curious Creatures—When It Dies
Its Inner Shell Comes Loose
from Its Outer Shell.

The first time a man sees a barnacle
he is pretty likely to think it is the
most wonderful thing he ever saw, and
the first time he sees it the more wonder-
ful it is apt to appear to him. The
barnacle, as is generally
known, grows on ships' bottoms, on
piles, and on rocks and stones along the
shore. The accompanying illus-
tration gives two pictures of the same
barnacle, one of a number of common
barnacles now in the city's aquarium
at the Garden, and they are taken
from the same bay. There are vari-
ous kinds of barnacles, and they attain
various sizes. The common barnacle
has a petiole slightly oval in general
outline at the base; its shell is about
five-eighths of an inch in length, half
an inch in width, and half an inch
high. It tapers in from the base up and
is jagged around the top, where it is
own. Inside the outer shell is an-
other, which is divided in halves
vertically, the two parts being held to-
gether by muscles. The outer shell is
white and fixed; the inner shell is
brownish. When the barnacle is quiet
the inside shell is drawn together at
the top and closed, and usually it is be-
hind the top of the outer shell, as here
shown in the picture to the left.

The right-hand picture shows the
barnacle as it appears when feeding.
When preparing to feed, the barnacle
raises the divided shell until the top of
it is above the jagged top of the outer
shell. Sometimes it opens the inner shell
before it is above the outer one; more
often it does not. When the barnacle
opens its inner shell it puts out from it
its feeding organ, which, as it comes up
into the water, is in general contour not unlike
a human hand as it would appear with
the fingers and thumb joined at the
tips. When this hand is open it is seen
to have many fingers, which are so
delicate as to be almost threadlike in
finesse, but which, fine as they are,
have upon them tiny feathery lateral
projections.

As the barnacle raises its hand it
opens out its fingers and throws the
hand backward as one would throw his
hand back upon his wrist. Then the
lateral sweeps it forward and through the
water, nearly to a horizontal position
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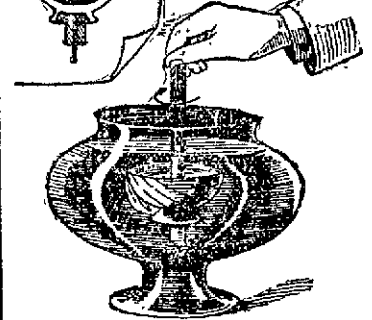
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HOW TO WALK.

An Apparatus for Doing It Can Be Had
For a Few Cents.

Fasten with sealing-wax to the inner
bottom of a china bowl a round stick—
a schoolboy's rule, for instance. To the
outer bottom fasten an ordinary cork
stopper, traversed by a thick needle,
which projects beyond the cork. The
axis of the ruler and the needle should
be as exactly as possible in the center
of the bowl, and in alignment one with
the other, as indicated in the vertical
section shown in the drawing.

Have also a vessel filled with sand,
and throw into it a tiny morsel of lead,
shaking up the sand so that the lead
may be completely hidden; it is the ob-
ject of this experiment to find the lead
in a few seconds. Place the apparatus



A PROPERLY LAID SIDEWALK.

described above in a soup-tureen (a
glass aquarium is used in the sketch,
to show the operation more clearly) in
such a manner that the needle will
stand on the bottom of the plate, while
the ruler is held in a vertical posi-
tion by the operator's hand. Pour
water into the soup-tureen to about
two-thirds of an inch above the rim of
the bowl, fill the latter with handfuls
of sand, and turn the bowl from
right to left alternately, that the par-
ticle of lead, which is heavier than the
sand, may, if in the sand, descend to
the bottom. Then turn the bowl rap-
idly round in one direction, and you
will see the sand, driven by centrifugal
force, escaping over the edges. By
gradually putting in more sand and
driving it out in this manner, you will
end by finding left at the bottom of the
bowl the bit of metal for which you
were seeking. This apparatus is similar
to those used for extracting gold from
auriferous soil; it would be found use-
ful for examining the sweepings of
jewelers' and gold-beaters' workshops;
in which particles of precious metals are
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WHOLESALE ROBBERY IN PIER LEASES.

The City Victimized to the Amount of Hundreds of Thousands in the Lease of a Single Pier—Created a Sensation.

New York, April 12.—President O'Brien of the dock board, who was recently appointed a commissioner by Mayor Strong, created quite a sensation at the meeting of the board yesterday afternoon when he read a statement showing how the city, as alleged, has lost hundreds of thousands of dollars in the last twenty years through alleged laxity of the city authorities.

The statement is simply a history of one pier, that at the foot of Watts street and known as Pier 40. It shows that in 1873 the pier was leased to H. P. Farrington for ten years at \$10,000 per annum; that in 1883 Farrington renewed the lease for ten years at the annual rental of \$20,000.

All this time, it appears from the statement, the Norwich & New York Transportation Co. were the real lessees of the pier, for which they paid from 1878 to 1883 a rental of \$38,000 per annum and for the ensuing ten years \$48,000.

In 1803 Thomas Clark, president of the Norwich & New York Transportation Co., appeared before the dock board and applied for a lease of the pier. He was told that there were several applications in for the pier, and that all applicants claimed to represent his company. Mr. Clark stated that the applicants referred to were "go between," and that his company would like to deal with the city. The board, after some discussion, granted Mr. Clark the lease of the pier, but one week subsequently revoked this lease and passed a resolution leasing the property to the New Jersey Steamboat Co. at \$20,000 per annum, on application by Joseph J. O'Donoghue. Since 1893 the Norwich company has occupied the pier as formerly, paying the New Jersey Steamboat Co. \$18,000 per annum.

It thus appears, Mr. O'Brien's statement says, that during the past twenty-two years the city received from the lessees of Pier 40 the sum of \$820,000, while H. P. Farrington, his assignees and the New Jersey Steamboat Co. received \$300,000.

"An investigation into the status of pier 40 disclosed the fact that Harvey P. Farrington assigned his lease to the New Jersey Steamboat Co. at the very beginning of the first term lease, and that the Norwich & New York Transportation Co. has been the real and only occupant and user of the pier since May 1, 1873, to the present time.

"The records of the department do not show that the department was ever asked or ever gave its consent to an assignment of the lease, although a special covenant in each lease provides that such consent should first be had."

FORFEITED RAILROAD LANDS

Referred to the Commissioner of the General Land Office for Action.

WASHINGTON, April 12.—In 1893 a number of persons filed applications for homestead entry to lands near Lambert, S. D., but the applications were rejected because the lands were in conflict with the claims of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway Co. The applicants appealed, but subsequently the president, by proclamation, declared a forfeiture of all rights granted to the railroad company because of its non-performance of the requirements of the law. Secretary Hoke Smith yesterday directed the commissioner of the general land office to take such action as he might deem proper, in view of the forfeiture.

Minister Thurston's Recall was Demanded.

WASHINGTON, April 12.—All reports from Hawaii to the contrary notwithstanding, it is emphatically reiterated by persons in Washington, having the confidence of Secretary Gresham, that Minister Willis was instructed by mail to inform the Hawaiian government that Minister Thurston had outlived his usefulness; that his course here was distasteful to the government, and that he had become persona non grata. Minister Willis was also informed, possibly in a private letter, that the United States looked for the prompt recall of Mr. Thurston.

such other business as may properly come before the board.

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The Tax List.

In the WEEKLY REPUBLICAN of April 11th was printed entire the delinquent tax list for the year 1894. It was prepared by C. H. Patterson, the county treasurer.

Will Take the Abandoned Ship Arno to Port.

HAYES, April 12.—The captain of the steamship Merrimack, which arrived from New Orleans yesterday, reports that on the 4th he put his chief officer and ten men aboard the British ship Arno, which was abandoned at sea. They will take the vessel to Liverpool, he says. The Arno's crew were taken off in a storm by the German ship Normanna.

The Highest in Six Years.

MANCHESTER, N. H., April 12.—The treble in the Piscataquog and Merrimack rivers are the highest in six years. The Manchester mills have been obliged to shut down on account of back water and the other mills are badly inconvenienced.

SHOVING THE QUEER.

Omaha Flooded with Counterfeit Money Paper and Silver.

OMAHA, Neb., April 12.—Omaha is being flooded with counterfeit money. Bad bills have been in circulation for some time, but yesterday it was discovered that a new counterfeit silver dollar and half dollars were in circulation, all of 1887 date.

The federal authorities believe that fully \$3,000 in silver counterfeits are now in circulation in Omaha, South Omaha and Council Bluffs. If a certain old sleuth's story is correct there are now three or four "mills" in full operation in this city and vicinity, including the famous "white goods" mint. The latter gang is not only working the merchants and circulating some unemployed workmen as jobbers or middlemen, but another clique of crooks recently attracted to this vicinity is boldly extending its field of operations to street car conductors.

United States Marshal White confirmed the rumor yesterday, and said the government would not allow him any additional compensation or expenses to break up the gang, and that it was clearly the duty of the federal secret service. He said crooks were flocking to Omaha, and the result would be startling unless something was done to stop it.

TWO MORE OUTLAWS KILLED.

Desperate Fight Between a Posse and a Train Robber.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., April 12.—A special from Hennessey, Okla., says: The Lacey mail carrier brings the news of another desperate battle between the Dover train robbers and United States marshals, in which two more outlaws have been killed.

On Tuesday night the marshals had located their quarry and were waiting for daylight. During the night the birds had flown again. Taking the trail, they were tracked to a deserted ranch seventy miles northwest of here. The outlaws were surrounded by the officers and challenged. Their reply was a volley of bullets. Then followed a desperate fight. The outlaws attempted to force their way out and after a short battle three of them escaped, closely pursued by part of the marshals, the balance taking charge of two outlaws who had been killed.

None of the marshals were badly wounded except Moore, who received a bullet wound in the shoulder, more painful than dangerous. The names of the dead men are not known, but they will be brought here for identification.

NO DODGING THE MATTER.

Income-Tax Returns Must be Made by Next Monday.

WASHINGTON, April 12.—"There is no power vested in this department," telegraphed Commissioner Miller late yesterday afternoon, "to extend the time for making returns under the income tax law."

The telegram was sent to Thomas T. Eckert, president of the Western Union Telegraph Co.

With the supplemental instruction sent to collectors of internal revenue yesterday, together with the telegrams as to keeping open their offices beyond the regular hours, Commissioner Miller has closed up completely as to his connection with the enforcement of what remains of the income tax law. Collectors and those subject to the law must do the rest, and must act before the close of business on next Monday, April 15, or else be subject to the penalties imposed by the law.

OSCAR WILDE'S BOOKS

Not Withdrawn but in Much Greater Demand in the British Museum.

LONDON, April 12.—The chief librarian of the British Museum authorizes the United Press to deny the statement circulated yesterday that the books and publications written by Oscar Wilde have been withdrawn from public use in the library of that institution. An act of parliament compels the museum to keep in its possession and accessible to the public copies of all publications copyrighted in the United Kingdom except such as may be personally libelous. The question of withdrawing Wilde's works has not been considered at all. The rumor of their withdrawal was probably due to the difficulty experienced by inquirers for the books in getting them owing to the great rush of curious persons who desired to look through them.

THOSE BOGUS STAMPS.

Suggestions to the Contrary Notwithstanding, They Are Sure Enough Counterfeits.

WASHINGTON, April 12.—Third Assistant Postmaster-General Kerr Craig yesterday said that statements made by the supposed counterfeit stamps Hugel really those rejected by the post the department was untrue, that the Smithed stamps were destroyed by the ties of engraving and printing, cause, or were they a portion of those posted several months ago by an employee of the bureau. He said that Mr. Hugel's counterfeit stamps; that he received a number of them, and made no doubt that they were counterfeit. He had no additional information to give out on the subject except that the authorities were on the track of the counterfeiters.

A Business Barometer Indicating Revival.

WASHINGTON, April 12.—Postmaster-General Wilson yesterday stated that the sale of stamps for the last quarter of 1894 amounted to \$19,405,571, which was the largest in the history of the government for a like period. He considered this a barometer indicating the revival of business.

The First Shipment of Strawberries.

MADISON, Miss., April 12.—The first shipment of strawberries made from Mississippi this season was made yesterday.

The New Yankess.

LONDON, April 12.—The new American loan opened yesterday at 120½ and closed at 120½.

John L. Sanford, a Covington Bank Cashier,

SHOT AND KILLED BY SENATOR GOEBEL

After an Unsuccessful Attempt on the Senator's Life—Result of a Long-Standing Feud—The Slayer Delivers Himself Up.

Covington, Ky., April 12.—State Senator Goebel shot and killed Cashier John Sanford of the Farmers' and Traders' bank, yesterday afternoon, in front of the First national bank of this city.

Sensor Goebel, accompanied by Attorney-General Hendricks, of Kentucky, and Frank Heim, president of the First national bank, was en-route to the bank. When they reached the door there stood Sanford. He shook hands with Hendricks, using his left hand. Then he asked Goebel if he wrote an article attacking him. Goebel answered: "I did." Immediately Sanford fired, the ball passing through Goebel's pantaloons.

Quick as a flash Goebel fired. To do so he had to place the pistol beneath Helm's chin. The ball crashed through Sanford's forehead. Sanford fell in the doorway of the bank, blood oozing from the ugly wound. Helm's chin was badly powder-burned.

Great excitement prevailed instantly, the street and bank being well crowded at the time.

During the confusion Senator Goebel walked to the station house and called up his brother, Justus, who is a member of the firm of Lowry & Goebel, of Cincinnati, asking him to come to Covington at once, as he was in trouble. Senator Goebel then emerged from the telephone box and, addressing the lieutenant in charge, said: "I wish to surrender myself. I have shot and killed John Sanford."

Chief Goodson placed Goebel under arrest, but allowed him to sit in his private office.

Sensor Goebel was calm at first, but later became visibly excited. At first he refused to discuss the affair, but under the excitement he finally gave his version of it:

"Here is the reason I killed him," exclaimed the senator, as he showed where the ball of Sanford's pistol had passed through his pantaloons, tearing away a portion of the cloth. "He was lying in wait for me," continued the senator. "I saw him when I reached the gas office, about twenty feet away from the steps of the First national bank. I was on my way to the Citizens' national bank with my friend Gen. Hendrick. As soon as I saw him reach for his revolver I reached for mine."

President Helm and Gen. Hendricks gave very similar versions of the affair.

The murder grows out of a business and political feud of several years' standing, and was not a surprise. Both were from among Kentucky's best-known men, being leaders in politics, business and society.

Not since the famous Goodloe-Swope affair at Lexington, in which both of those distinguished men died, has so deplorable a murder occurred. It has created a state sensation, while locally the greatest excitement prevails, as a continuation of the ill-feeling that made the murder possible is certain to result in more blood-letting.

For years Theodore Hallam and Harvey Meyers, two of the brightest lawyers in the south, have been the democratic leaders of this county. Goebel appeared on the field while they were at the zenith of their career, and under the guise of an anti-ringer, fought for prestige in the party. He was frequently rewarded most generously and became deservedly popular. Personal ill-feeling naturally resulted and it was not confined to the leaders. Partisans sprang from every quarter. Sanford was one of these and he espoused the cause of Hallam and Meyers. Personal encounters and convention fights were numerous. It is not an exaggeration to say that 100 prominent citizens have constantly carried pistols for the past three years expecting an attack any moment.

Besides this bitter political feeling, Sanford and Goebel were rivals in business. Goebel is a director of the Citizens' national bank of Covington, and Sanford has for years been a director and cashier of the Farmers' and Traders' bank.

The men have had little use for each other since the two factions in politics began and there have been some bitter attacks and countercharges made by both men and their friends through the columns of the various Covington newspapers.

Last Saturday an article appeared in a Covington paper called The Ledger, in which a bitter attack was made upon Sanford. The headline of the article referred to Sanford in the most depraved language. The publication aroused Sanford and his friends, who declared that they would have satisfaction from the author.

It was generally said about the streets of Covington that Senator Goebel was at least responsible for the publication of the article, and neither Mr. Goebel nor his friends took the trouble to deny the allegation. It was even charged that Senator Goebel himself wrote the article.

It is believed that the question Sanford addressed to Goebel was to ask him if he wrote the article. Goebel is unmarried. Sanford leaves a widow, a sister of the famous Tom Marshall, of Kentucky, and several children, one a grown son, from whom more trouble is feared.

The Rise in the Nashua.

NASHUA, N. H., April 12.—The Nashua river is rising rapidly, and yesterday the Nashua and Jackson mills were obliged to shut down on account of high water.

TELEGRAPHIC NOTES.

—The flood in the Delaware river is rapidly subsiding and the lowlands are again visible.

—The water in the Susquehanna river is receding. The low lands are still flooded, but it is believed the worst is over.

—It is reported that in the recent battles in Cuba, the insurgents led by Gen. Maceo have been defeated by government troops.

—The price of Lima oil made another advance of five cents yesterday, making an advance of fifteen cents per barrel in three days.

—The 9,000 striking cloakmakers of Cincinnati are suffering a daily loss of \$10,000, which they, least of all wage earners, can afford.

—The Weston Woolen Manufacturing Co., of Weston, Ont., has assigned. Liabilities, about \$240,000; assets, nominally \$87,000 in excess of that amount.

—C. N. Linn, a prominent citizen and music teacher of Canfield, O., was chloroformed while asleep in his room Wednesday night, and robbed of \$250.

—Under the ruling of the supreme court one New York capitalist, who enjoys an income of \$112,100, pays the income tax on but \$1,600; the remainder being exempt.

—A band of 150 Cuban rebels entered the camps of the Juragu Mining Co. near Santiago, Wednesday night, and confiscated all of the arms which the workmen had.

—Mrs. John Hobbiey, of Wrentham, Mass., killed her 7-year-old boy by crushing his skull with a heavy stone, and, gave as her excuse that the boy had to work too hard and would be happier dead. She is evidently insane.

—It is stated on good authority that J. S. Clarkson is organizing a company to start a newspaper at Chicago to be called the Register, after his old paper at Des Moines, Ia., and that half of the capital has been raised. It will be a free silver organ.

—A receiver has been appointed to take charge of the affairs of the Chapin Brick Yards Co. of South Bend, Ind., and Ed McDonough, proprietor and manager, has been sentenced to thirty days in jail for refusing to surrender possession.

—Advices from Chitral say that Col. Kelly, with 500 men from Gilgit, succeeded, on April 7, in crossing Shander pass, which is 12,000 feet above the sea level. Many of the men were frost-bitten and stricken with snow blindness. The party are now within sixty miles of Chitral.

—Fifty well-known Spanish officials in Havana, it is said, have been put in jail on suspicion of sympathizing with the Cuban revolutionists. Rifles and cartridges belonging to the Spanish government have been secretly removed and turned over to the insurgents.

—The Standard Oil Co. has closed negotiations for the purchase of the property of the Venture Oil Co. in the McDonald region, in Pennsylvania. The property consists of eighty-eight wells producing daily 1,000 barrels of oil and several thousand acres of land. The price paid was \$550,000.

—When the 2,500 operatives of the Atlantic mills at Olneyville, R. I., went to work yesterday morning, intending, according to programme, to labor fifteen minutes and then go out on strike, they found signs posted on the gates notifying the operatives that the mills would be closed until further notice.

—Prince Francis Joseph of Battenburg, who is making a tour of the world, arrived at Honolulu from New Zealand by the steamer Alameda. The prince will reach San Francisco about the 26th inst., and after spending a month in the United States, will sail from New York for England.

—A St. Petersburg special says the inspector of prisons at Koonger, in the government of Perm, while drunk, ordered that three prisoners who had tried to escape be beaten to death by the guards with the butts of their rifles. One of the prisoners was killed, and the other two are dying from the effects of the injuries inflicted upon them.

THE COST OF IT.

The Lexow Committee Expense Bill Introduced in the New York Senate.

ALBANY, N. Y., April 12.—The Lexow committee expense bill introduced in the senate yesterday afternoon provides for the appropriation of \$67,434.10, divided as follows:

To Charles Stewart Smith, treasurer of the chamber of commerce, \$17,500, for advances made.

To John W. Goff, \$1,250.

To Wm. A. Sutherland, \$7,500 as counsel fees.

To Wm. Travers Jerome, \$5,625.

To Frank Moss, \$5,625.

To Henry Grasse, \$2,500 as assistant counsel fees.

To Lucius A. Waldo, the senate stenographer, who acted for the committee, \$17,434.10.

Became Issue Over the Death of a Colt.

LEXINGTON, Ky., April 12.—Joe Dennison, a young white man, 33 years old, who has been caring for Byron McClelland's thoroughbred mares and colts for several years, became insane yesterday on account of the accident to a Longfellow-Sally McClelland colt last Monday, as a result of which it had to be destroyed.

Dennison was very much attached to the colt, and says he will have to make good to McClelland the \$10,000, at which the youngster was valued. He imagines he is wealthy, and wants to build churches in several surrounding towns. He was arrested and will be sent to the lunatic asylum.

The Chitral Expedition.

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Calico at 4½c.

One lot 500 pieces of full standard Calico to be on sale at 4½c; regular 7c goods.

Wash Silk Waists.

New styles on sale at \$3.50 each.

Capes.

We are showing all the late novelties in Capes.

Broadcloth Capes at \$1.98, \$2.50, \$3, \$3.50, \$5.

Clay Worsted Capes at \$5, \$6.50, \$7.50 and \$10.

Misses' Jackets at \$2.95.

One lot Misses' Jackets on sale at \$2.95, worth up to \$5.

Children's Jackets at \$1.50, \$2 and \$3.

Ladies' Wool Wrappers on sale at \$3.50 and \$5.

Ladies' Wool Dress Skirts on sale at \$3, \$3.50 and \$5.

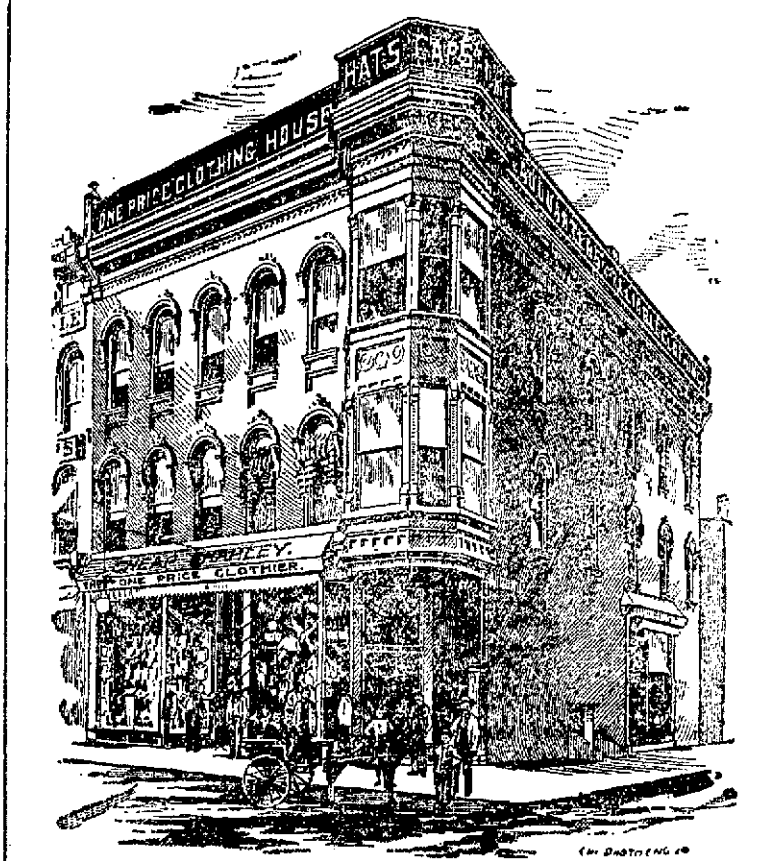
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25 pounds Best Granulated Sugar	\$1.00	6 pounds g	10c
50 pounds Lord's Best	90c	7 bars Leno	10c
50 pounds Davenport Milling Co.	90c	6 bars Ivo	10c
New York Burbank Potatoes	90c	Apples per	25c
6 pounds Hand Picked Beans	25c	Good Lem	10c
Roller Oats, per pound	25c	Good Orang	10c
15 pound Buckot Jelly, all kinds	35c	Peanuts pe	10c
Corn per can (good)	10c	Kingman H	10c
Corn per can (better)	10c	A Good B	10c
Best Tomatoes	25c	Kingman be	10c
3 bars Buttermilk Soap	25c	Eagle Milk	10c
Arbuckle's, Lion and XXXX Coffee	10c	Evaporate	10c
Leaf Lard, per pound	25c	Oil Sardin	10c
Good Lard, 3 pounds	25c	Mustard p	10c
3 pound bucket Cottoline	25c	2 breads, 2	10c
Free Dec. Crackers	10c	4 breads, 2	10c
Country Butter	15c	2 breads, 2	10c
Best Dec. Crackers 4 pounds	25c	Coal Oil p	10c
White Drip Syrup per gallon	40c		

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SOCIETY MEETINGS.

1. G. G. T.—Regular meeting of Pathfinders Lodge No. 40, I. O. G. T., this (Friday) evening, at 7:30 o'clock, in their hall in famous block, corner Central avenue and Broadway. All visiting Good Templars cordially invited to attend.

MODERN WOODMEN—Regular meeting of Decatur Camp No. 144, M. W. A., at their hall this evening, at 7:30 o'clock. Business and work. Foresters requested to attend. CHAS. W. HAY, W. G. G. P. Lewis, Clerk.

FRATERNAL—Regular meeting of Ionia Lodge, No. 312, A. F. and A. M., this (Friday) evening, at 7:30 o'clock, at Masonic Hall, for work. Visiting brethren cordially invited. By order J. H. CULVER, W. M. J. S. MCKENLAND, Sec.

LOCAL NEWS.

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For salt rising bread call at Woman's Exchange on East William street.

VACCINATE your children. Fresh vaccine points at Tyler's.

New tin department. **ARCADE.**

Go to the Woman's Exchange on East William street for Boston brown bread.

FINEST line of Easter millinery at Mrs. R. C. Hamsher's, 121 North Water street.

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Don't fail to see Mrs. R. C. Hamsher, 121 North Water street, before you select your Easter her.

Go to the Spencer & Lehman company for wood pumps, iron pumps, force pumps and pump repairs. feb6-d&wt

An Epworth League was organized at Grace M. E. church mission, corner Herkimer and Broadway, Tuesday evening.

PINT tin cups, two for five cents—ArCADE.

Six firstclass paper hangers at Grass' wall paper and paint store. Store open until 8 p. m. apr3-d2w

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A party borrowed a \$55 bicycle at Dodd & Co.'s place yesterday for two hours, but up to date he has not returned the wheel. Now the owners are trying to find the man to make it hot for him.

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Mrs. R. C. Hamsher, 121 North Water street, invites the ladies to call before Easter. She has a pleasant surprise in store.

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EASTER SPOONS, Prayer Books, book marks, violet holders and a great many new and pretty things in Sterling Silver and fine leathers are now on sale at Otto E. Curtis & Bros.

As baldness makes one look prematurely old, so a full head of hair gives to mature life the appearance of youth. To secure this and prevent the former, Ayer's Hair Vigor is confidently recommended. Both ladies and gentlemen prefer it to any other dressing.

The statement made by the officers of the Municipal club in the *Herald-Despatch* were made for political effect. The suits which will be brought as a result, by Bob Ferguson through his attorney, W. C. Johns, are a personal matter, and will not be brought for political effect, but for the ends of justice, and from information received, they will be filed in due time and will be entirely divorced from party politics. The only people who are trying to make politics out of it are the reformers.

The rank of Esquire was last night conferred upon John A. Reeve, clerk of the Illinois House of Representatives, at the castle hall of Cour de Leon Lodge, No. 17, Knights of Pythias. Several new applications were read.

L. L. Burrows says that after twenty-five years of wandering he has gone back to his first love, that of raising chickens, and he has not forgotten his cunning. He has about 250 fruitful eggs in his patent incubator.

The lectures at the Congregational church to-night by some of the bright women of the Equal Suffrage association will be free to the public and everybody is invited to be present. Special music will be provided.

Track sale to be given by the ladies of Grace M. E. church will begin in the vacant room in Library Block at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon. Admission free. Ice cream and cake will be served in the evening.

The party who stole the \$55 bicycle yesterday from Dodd & Co. was captured near Bement. He was brought to Decatur to-day. The wheel was recovered.

SOSA'S BAND was taken to Springfield this morning on a special Washburn train in charge of Conductor Frank Green.

THERE will be services at the Presbyterian church this evening at 7:30, with a short sermon by the pastor.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Fred Downing is on the sick list.

John B. Spalding is in Bloomington to-day.

S. Packard returned to-day from Springfield.

Tony Tway Adams, of St. Louis, is in the city on a visit.

R. L. La Touche, of Chicago, is the guest of Edwin Ewing.

B. F. Cloud transacted business at Dalton City yesterday.

Mrs. John McNamee, of Bement, is the guest of Mrs. Will Hawley.

Mrs. Frank Caldwell returned to-day from a visit with relatives at Monticello.

Mrs. W. B. Caldwell, of Monticello, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Caldwell.

Mrs. Maggie Bliss, of Nokomis, Ill., is visiting Mrs. J. W. Crane at 832 West Wood street.

Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Reeve, of Chicago, arrived in the city to-day to visit Mr. and Mrs. John Reeve.

Will Davidson, of Lake City, returned yesterday from Louisville, where he has been attending a medical college.

Mrs. D. Snyder and daughter, Irene, of Moweaqua, who have been visiting friends in the city, returned yesterday.

Rev. W. H. Ponthallegon went to Litchfield yesterday afternoon to attend the meeting of the Alton Presbytery.

Mrs. Will Sorgen and her mother, Mrs. J. G. Sorgen, went to Raymond yesterday to visit the former's mother.

Miss Edith Race returned home to-day from Cleveland, where she attends the private school of Miss Middleberger.

The Misses Pratt, who attend Miss Middleberger's school at Cleveland, are home to visit their parents for a few weeks.

Volney Barber returned yesterday from Strausburg, where he had a cattle sale, and got rid of eighteen head of fine cattle.

Reeves Scruggs, who is attending the Western Military Academy at Upper Alton, came home yesterday to spend the Easter holidays.

Mrs. J. C. Sonnenstein, accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. William Clark, is in the city visiting her sons, E. R. and G. E. Sonnenstein.

W. E. Collins returned Tuesday from an extended trip in the east, and after a very brief stay in the city started again on a business trip to Indianapolis.

Misses Edith Race, Nellie and Etta Pratt arrived home early this morning from Cleveland, Ohio, where they are attending Mrs. Middleberger's school.

C. T. Johnson took possession of his new residence on West Prairie street yesterday and is making extensive improvements and will move in as soon as finished.

Chan, Theron and Frank Powers have returned from their hunting expedition at Spring Lake. They report shooting very good. The duck shooting season closes April 15.

James Culson, traveling freight agent for the Illinois Central, Otto Shilling, trainmaster for the P. D. & E., and R. O. Robinson, master mechanic of the P. D. & E., were in the city to-day.

Public Meeting.

The Municipal Club will hold a public meeting at the Opera House on Saturday evening, at 8 o'clock. W. H. Starr, chairman, W. C. Outten, Rev. Mr. Jordan, Robert Rogan, Felix Tait, I. A. Buckingham and Rev. Mr. Howe will address the meeting on the following subjects: "The Position of the Municipal Reform Club on Civil Service Reform," "Enforcement of the Law," "The Evil in Our City Remain the Same Though Parties Change," "Can Public Gambling be Suppressed," "The Position of the Colored Voter," "The People are Aroused and Demand a Better Government." Let every one attend. 12-d2t

TO THE PUBLIC.

Statement by Some Gentlemen Who Called on the Municipal Club Committee.

DECATUR, ILL., April 12, 1895.

To the Editors of the "Republican":

Thursday morning there appeared in the *Herald-Despatch* under the signature of W. H. Starr, president of the Municipal club, William Traver, W. W. Linn, R. L. Walston, J. F. Reid, vice-presidents, and H. P. Page, secretary, an allegation that ex-Alderman Ferguson had been corrupted in the transaction of the purchase of a pump for the city water works, from the Hughes Pump company, of Cleveland, O. In that statement these gentlemen published an affidavit made by W. A. Holman, W. P. Shade, R. R. Montgomery, L. N. Cope, F. M. Watkins and R. W. Ferguson to R. N. Hughes, and omitted to publish an answer received to that affidavit, which omission is calculated to leave the impression that no answer was ever received.

We, whose names are hereunto affixed, who are of the number making the affidavit, took the letter which we received from the Hughes Pump company in reply and waited upon W. H. Starr Thursday morning after reading the publication in the *Herald-Despatch*, and stated to him that the publication was calculated to injure us, and asked that it be printed in connection with the affidavit. Mr. Starr's reply was: "I think it only just and fair to you folks that the letter should have been part of this article, and I will have it put in. I was opposed to the first article as printed in the *Herald-Despatch* some months ago about this matter, which brought out the affidavit and the letter, as I told Mr. Montgomery at the time. I was opposed to it because I thought it unfair, and I want to be fair." Mr. Starr also agreed to have the letter published in the afternoon paper, and also in the *Herald-Despatch* in the body of the article, which he said they intended to print again.

W. P. SHADE.
W. A. HOLMAN.
R. R. MONTGOMERY.

R. R. MONTGOMERY'S STATEMENT.

Thursday afternoon Dr. Walston telephoned me to come over to Starr's wholesale house. I went over and found assembled there in consultation W. H. Starr, R. L. Walston, J. F. Reid, H. P. Page and William Traver. Mr. Starr said to me he had showed the letter to the committee and told them what he had in the morning promised to do about publishing it, and that the committee differed with him and were opposed to publishing it. Messrs. Page, Walston and Reid each made speeches to me about their position. In the course of their remarks they contended that so far as Shade, Holman and I were concerned, they had no intention of reflecting upon us in the publication, and that they thought the publishing of the affidavit was their duty, and that they were opposed to publishing the letter as Starr had agreed to do, because to do so would be equivalent to a denial of the statement they made about Ferguson. Dr. Reid in the course of his remarks said it had been charged that they had once before showed the "white feather" in a publication, and they did not want to put themselves in that position again. I insisted upon them keeping the promise Starr made to publish the letter, and they finally agreed to publish it in the body of the *Herald-Despatch* and the *Bulletin*, but not in the body of the statement where the affidavit appears. I also met Mr. Page on Thursday morning at the REPUBLICAN office, where he was looking up dates as to the letter after the agreement made by W. H. Starr that morning, and at that time he said they would publish the letter in both papers as agreed upon. These agreements they have not kept in whole or in part, and the letter was not published in either of the papers as agreed; nor did they give any reason for failing to keep their agreement.

R. R. MONTGOMERY.

EXPLANATORY.

When the *Herald-Despatch* first published this charge in the month of December, 1894, in which it was alleged that R. N. Hughes was authority for the statement that there had been corruption in connection with the sale of the Hughes pump in Decatur, the committee of aldermen made two affidavits exactly alike and addressed one to R. N. Hughes, who had been retired from the Hughes Pump company, and had a quarrel with the firm about a settlement, and the other to W. H. Hughes, who was the member of the firm who was in Decatur and made the sale of the pump to the city. No reply was received from R. N. Hughes, but a reply was received from the Hughes Pump company signed by W. H. Hughes. Following is the affidavit and the reply:

AFFIDAVIT.

DECATUR, ILL., Dec. 23, 1894.

W. H. Hughes, Esq., Cleveland, O.:
We, the undersigned, who were members of the water and light committee of

the city of Decatur, Ill., at the time of the purchase of the pump from the Hughes Pump company, having seen in the enclosed clippings what purports to be your charges against us, hereby deny having received any part of any such money, and ask you to specifically name and designate such member or members of such committee that such money was paid to, and we are free to say we will expect full and complete vindication in this matter at your hands if you do not promptly name such member or members as above referred to.

W. A. HOLMAN,
W. P. SHADE,
R. R. MONTGOMERY,
L. N. COPE,
F. M. WATKINS,
R. W. FERGUSON.

Subscribed and sworn to before me and in my presence this 24th day of December, 1894.

HARDIN C. WALLACE, Notary Public.

LETTER IN REPLY.

CLEVELAND, O., Jan. 3, 1895.

R. R. Montgomery, Decatur, Ill.:

DEAR SIR—I am in receipt of your favor of the 1st, enclosing affidavit of water committee. We are pleased to take this opportunity of replying to you to state that there was never one dollar paid to any member of this committee, directly or indirectly, for his vote or influence in favor of our pump.

Yours very truly,
HUGHES STEAM PUMP CO.
PER W. H. HUGHES.

THE FERGUSON LIBEL SUITS.

They Are on the Way and Will Not Be Brought for Political Purposes.

In the *Herald-Despatch* municipal reform organ this morning appeared this paragraph:

The libel suits were not commenced yesterday. If such suits are commenced it will be for electioneering purposes and we presume they will be on the way before Tuesday.

THE REPUBLICAN reporter to-day visited Attorney W. C. J. Johns, who has been employed by Bob Ferguson to look after his interests in the litigation, which is soon to be commenced. Mr. Johns stated that he was busily engaged in preparing the necessary papers in the suits which have been decided upon, but that he was not then able to state definitely when the papers would be filed. He would say, however, that in no sense would the litigation be influenced by political interests. It was a question affecting Bob Ferguson personally, and as the attorney for his client he would guard his interests. The suits may be filed this week or they may not be formally commenced until after the election. It is purely a matter of business with Mr. Ferguson's attorney. He is not troubling himself about filing practices, but is devoting himself to the careful preparation of the various bills or declarations. The people in due time will learn who and how many citizens will be called upon in court to answer.

Reformer and Ferguson.

If candidate Traver and the other officers of the Municipal club know that Bob Ferguson is guilty of the crime they have charged him with, why don't some of the reformers see that he is punished according to law instead of trying to punish him in the newspapers by publishing charges. If these reformers want reform let them quit acting as if they wanted votes more than they do reform, and have Bob Ferguson arrested. Arrest him at once have him examined before a magistrate and bound over to the grand jury. If they mean what they say they ought to do this before Saturday night.

Reform?

EDITOR REPUBLICAN: The reform (?) editor of the "for revenue only" organ is making faces at the ministers of the city who refuse to be dragged into pulp politics. It is true that several of these gentlemen have, to their credit, not turned aside from their high calling to preach the gospel of "Our Club." There is not one of them, however, but preaches infinitely more reform than this paid champion practices. Respectfully,
CITIZEN.

Decatur, April 12, 1895.

At Six Handed Euchre.

Dr. J. D. Moore and wife entertained six young married couples at six-handed euchre last night at their home on North Church street. It was a pleasantly arranged and enjoyable event. Light refreshments were served during the evening and the guests all departed to their several homes with the memory of a delightfully spent evening. Those present were Dr. E. B. Walston, Dr. Hill, Frank Wells, Charles Hildebrand, Fred Shellabarger, Dr. J. D. Moore and wives.

Died This Morning.

Mrs. Rose Medley died this morning at 4:45 o'clock, of consumption, at her home on South Boyd street. Deceased was 33 years, 8 months and 27 days of age, and leaves a husband and four children—three daughters and one son. The remains will be shipped to Humboldt, Ill., Saturday morning, where on Sunday the funeral will occur.

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